

COMMUNITY NEWS

Harper Blount receives ballet performance award

Harper Blount received a Ballet Performance Award when Shelton State Community College in Tuscaloosa, Ala., presented their American Academy of Ballet Performance Awards on April 29, 2006.

Harper is shown with her medal and certificate that she

received for an outstanding ballet performance in Level 2. Mignon Purman, a renowned American Academy Ballet Judge, made the awards presentation. Also, Harper was presented with a dozen pink and red roses and a spring floral arrangement with primary purple flowers. Harper has been a ballet student at Shelton State College for three years.

Harper is the daughter of Stephen and Tiffany Harper Blount of Tuscaloosa, Ala., and the granddaughter of Gloria and John Harper, Elba, Ala.

Singing set for June 11 at Elba Church of God

The Elba Church of God is having a singing Sunday night, June 11, at 6 p.m. The Stinson Family will be in concert.

Food and fellowship will follow the singing. Everyone is invited.



Harper Blount accepts her medal and certificate after being named the recipient of a Ballet Performance Award.

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DONATED FOOD STAYS IN COMMUNITY. The letter carriers in Elba joined other members of the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) on Saturday, May 13, to Stamp Out Hunger! across America. Once again, the annual food drive proved very successful as local residents answered the call for help and placed non-perishable foods by their mailboxes for the carriers to pick up. The food gathered by the Elba letter carriers was donated to the local HRDC (Human Resource Development Corporation) office in Elba. HRDC officials were very excited to receive the large food donation and said the items will certainly help HRDC continue to assist those in need. All the bags and boxes of food shown above on the floor were the items donated by local residents and gathered by the Elba letter carriers.

HRDC taking applications for cooling assistance

Human Resources Development Corporation will be taking applications Thursday, June 29, for cooling assistance through the federal Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) for Coffee County at the New Brockton Farm Center. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

An applicant must be the head of household or spouse of the head of household. If an applicant is 60 years or older or disabled, he/she can authorize, in writing, an individual to apply

for him/her.

The applicant must provide proof of the total household (gross) income for the month of May, 2006, a copy of a recent cooling bill and a social security number of the applicant and all household members. If the

Scholarships ready for Spanish speaking students

Seventy-five \$2,000 scholarships are available for Spanish-speaking, bicultural high-school students who want to pursue careers in the health care industry.

The scholarships are funded by the PacificCare Foundation Latino Health Scholars program, which helps educate and encourage Hispanic and Latino students to pursue career opportunities in health care.

High-school seniors with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 and who are fluent in Spanish and English are eligible. Applicants must show proof of acceptance into a university,

applicant did not have any income for the month of May, 2006, he/she must provide written verification from a reliable source.

For more information, contact Dottie Stricklin at 897-2667 or Latofia Jones at 347-0881.

Building one for the Shoppes has been in operation for several years now and currently houses five businesses with a restaurant set to open in the near future. The shopping complex is located along Alabama Hwy. 203 (Bypass) between Alabama

community college or accredited technical college and must be enrolled in an approved health care program at the time they receive the scholarship.

Applications are due May 29, 2006, and are available online at www.pacificarelatino.com. Since it was introduced in 2003, the Latino Health Scholars program has awarded \$356,000 to 155 students across the country who are pursuing diverse health care careers such as Nursing, Pre-Med, Biology, Psychology, Biomedical Engineering and other allied health professions.

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Building with Elba's future in mind

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Looking ahead to the future and preparing for growth took the forefront last Thursday morning, June 8, when the Elba Chamber of Commerce sponsored a groundbreaking ceremony for the second phase of Shoppes at Taylor Crossing.

This construction process for the shopping complex in the brainchild of landowners Wayne Lawford and Mitch Purvis. They are hoping to create a nice, attractive shopping center that will benefit their fellow Elba residents.

Building one for the Shoppes has been in operation for several years now and currently houses five businesses with a restaurant set to open in the near future. The shopping complex is located along Alabama Hwy. 203 (Bypass) between Alabama

Hwy. 189 N. and U.S. Hwy. 84. Future plans for the four-lane of U.S. Hwy. 84 will bring the road through this path; therefore, Lawford and Purvis view it as a great opportunity now to expand the shopping center.

Lawford said construction is set to begin on a new 17,500 sq. ft. building. He said the appearance of the building will be the same as the one already in place in the shopping area, but the new building will be larger as it will be a deeper built structure. Lawford said he and Purvis will be looking to fill this building with retail stores.

"I believe this will be something Elba will be really proud of," Lawford said. "We're trying to get things that Elba needs."

Lawford said there has been lots of interest in regards to the expansion, and he believes it is a

good investment. He said he will be working diligently with possible tenants to lease the building spaces.

The new building is slated to be ready by the first of the year or very early Spring, and Lawford said he and Purvis will be glad to speak with anyone interested in leasing space. Lawford can be reached at (334) 897-2300 and Purvis can be reached at (334) 897-5952.

Cosmetic additions to Shoppes at Taylor Crossing will include a larger parking lot to accommodate the new building, a large shopping center sign and landscaping. Lawford said he hopes the future also will bring the addition of a third (center) building.

"Elba needs this," Lawford said. "Dr. Purvis and I want to contribute to Elba and help Elba grow."



THE GOLD-PLATED SCOOPS WERE USED last Thursday morning, June 8, when an official groundbreaking ceremony was held for the Shoppes at Taylor Crossing. Currently, one building is in use at the shopping center, and last week's groundbreaking was held to commemorate the beginning of construction for building two. Those present for the groundbreaking included (from left to right): Junior Miss Elba Megan Anderson, Eva Medlock, Tonya Jones, Wayne Lawford (owner), Rene Lambert, Elba Mayor James Grimes, Barry Giles, Senator Jimmy Holley, Mitch Purvis (owner), Wayne Grantham, Kenneth Calhoun, Kelly Smith, Herby McCall and Kaye Whitworth.

Training exercise helps emergency personnel prepare for "what if"

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Emergency vehicles and personnel filled the parking area Tuesday morning, June 13, of the National Guard Armory in New Brockton for several hours. It appeared a huge medical emergency was at hand; however, in reality, it was a training exercise for local emergency responders.

An Infectious Disease Control Exercise more commonly referred to as "The Bus Exercise" was conducted by personnel from the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) and sponsored by the Alabama Department of Public Health. The exercise was conducted in Coffee County in conjunction with the Local Emergency Planning Committee's yearly activities.

According to Larry Walker, assistant director of the Coffee County Emergency Management Agency, the exercise portrayal began when 30 students from UAB have a bus accident on their way home the day after going to the Peanut Festival. Shortly after the "accident" he said some of the students began exhibiting respiratory problems.

Walker said the exercise included personnel from Enterprise Rescue, Enterprise Fire Dept., Elba Police Dept., Elba Fire Dept., Coffee County EMS, and other county agencies. He also said personnel from the state police responded along with Emergency Management Agency personnel and Public Health officials.

Walker said the idea behind the exercise was to treat it as a

real event so local emergency personnel would get a good idea of how to handle an infectious disease incident if one were to actually occur in Coffee County.

In the mock exercise, Walker said emergency personnel dealt with 22 victims total with three deaths (one due to trauma from the accident and the other two from the respiratory illness). The exercise also involved the transportation of victims to the area hospitals. Walker said the training exercise continued at the Elba and Enterprise hospitals after victims were transported from the scene of the incident.

At the conclusion of the mock incident, Walker said the UAB exercise team was set to meet with the local emergency agencies for a debriefing. He said this would be a good opportunity for everyone to discuss things they learned or need to work on in case of an actual event in the future.

"Everything went very well from my viewpoint," Walker said.

The training exercise at the Armory involved approximately 40 people from UAB and 30-50



PLAYING THE PART. In keeping to the script, local emergency officials gathered around a public health official as test results are released regarding the respiratory disease "discovered" in the mock training exercise held Tuesday morning in New Brockton. While many aspects of the exercise may have seemed real to those passing by, the entire exercise was fictional and only meant to better prepare local emergency personnel for the "what if's" in case of an actual incident in the future.

local emergency responders, numerous staff members at the local hospitals.

Volunteer fire departments in Coffee County receive grant checks

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Volunteer fire departments in Coffee County received grant checks Thursday evening, June 8, from the state's forestry commission.

The grant checks, presented to the fire departments by Senator Jimmy Holley and Representative Terry Spicer, equaled \$1,904.52 each. Prior to the presentation, Bobby Light, acting county manager for the forestry commission, read a let-

ter from Governor Bob Riley thanking the men and women of the departments for volunteering their time.

Coffee County currently has nine certified volunteer fire departments including: Battens VFD, Elba VFD, Five Star VFD, Goodman VFD, Ino VFD, Kinston VFD, New Brockton VFD, Tri-Community VFD and Zion Chapel VFD. Most of these departments average 15-20 volunteers per department with some have a few more.

"We're proud to be here with these volunteer fire departments," Spicer said. "They do a fine job for us."

He stressed the importance of volunteer fire departments and said Coffee County is a good example of how volunteerism should be across the state.

"We're blessed in this county to have several volunteer fire departments," Holley said. "They provide fire protection for homes, families, businesses and the forestry."



Grant checks from the forestry commission were presented Thursday, June 8, to volunteer fire departments of the Coffee County Firefighter Association. Presenting the checks were Senator Jimmy Holley and Representative Terry Spicer. Those present included (from left): Dewayne Wood, Battens VFD; Gibby McCormick, New Brockton VFD; Justin Donaldson, Tri-Community VFD; Senator Holley; Joseph McCollough, Five Star VFD; Glen Gatlin, Zion Chapel VFD; Tim DeLoach, Goodman VFD; Representative Spicer; Gary Coleman, representative of the Alabama Forestry Commission; and David Evans, Kinston VFD. The Elba VFD and Ino VFD each also received a grant check but did not have a representative able to attend the presentation ceremony last Thursday.

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Commission appropriates funds for Elba Adult Daycare Center

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Coffee County Commissioners voted Monday, June 12, to appropriate funds to help the Elba Adult Daycare facility remain open and operating at least through Oct. 1st of this year.

Three citizens addressed commissioners separately regarding a concern the facility would be closed.

Warren Hataway was the first to address commissioners, and he said the impression in the community was that the facility was slated to be closed. Hataway said the facility is in need of funding to remain open, therefore, he attended Monday's commission meeting to ask commissioners to help keep it open through at least Oct 1st.

Hataway said he also had spoken with local legislators asking them for help. He said they indicated the governor is searching for funding to keep the daycare facility operating.

Monday morning, Hataway told Coffee County Commissioners it will take roughly \$7,000 to keep the Elba Adult Daycare facility open through Oct. 1.

"I'm asking you, as commissioners, if you can see fit to help us find funding," he said.

Carolyn Dyess addressed commissioners from the view of a citizen who's family has benefited greatly because of the

facility. Due to the extent of her husband's illness, she said being able to use the daycare facility has been a blessing to her and her family.

Kaye Whitworth, executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce, was the final person to address commissioners regarding the daycare facility.

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Area Happenings

THE ELBA PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE will sponsor "Picnic by the Park" Thursday, June 29, at the Elba High School cafeteria beginning at 6:30 p.m. This event will offer interested citizens of all ages an opportunity to learn specific details regarding the project while also helping to raise additional needed funds for the playground and built underneath about the upcoming build work (Sept. 20-24) where many volunteers from the community will be needed to build the playground. For more info, contact or to purchase tickets, contact Linda Chapman at (334) 897-1152 or email linda@elbaclipper.com. The deadline to purchase tickets to the "Picnic by the Park" is Friday, June 23.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

Some students are downloading a ring tone off the Internet that is too high-pitched to be heard by most adults, at least those of us over 30. With it, high schoolers can receive text message alerts on their cell phones without the teacher knowing. Our first encounter with this information was . . . well, an insult. We were not asked if we could hear the shrill tone, but TOLD we couldn't hear it. It might not have been so bad, except it was the truth. As we age, many humans develop what's known as aging ear — a loss of the ability to hear higher-frequency sounds. School officials are now afraid students will use the high pitched ring in an ongoing effort to outsmart teachers on test day. In blunter words . . . to cheat.

A lot of political analysts are scratching their heads to explain the 40% Democrat Primary vote of candidate Larry Darby's in his recent race for Attorney General. While the Democrat Party executives were scrambling to disassociate the party from Darby's statements and actions, a number of counties were giving him the majority of their Democratic votes. Both Covington and Coffee fit that category.

We have some opinions on this guy's alarming showing, but no proof of anything. First, admit it, we still have (and probably always will have) some hard core racists in America, and particularly in Alabama. Next his name was first on the ballot and that usually is an advantage when all candidates are little known. Then his opponent, John Tyson, Jr., comes in for some of the blame. Tyson basically put his name on the ballot and went back to his job as District Attorney of Mobile County without bothering to tell the voters they should vote for him. Darby's publicity was mostly negative, but it did get his name out there for the casual voter to remember on election day.

Some good news for us older Americans. An experimental vaccine is showing promise against Alzheimer's disease. This might be available for people in six or seven years, experts recently said. Thus far it has worked in mice and has now reached the monkey test stage. This vaccine allows the progression of the disease in early and mid stage Alzheimer's by preventing the build up of the damaging plaque in the brain. The 4.5 million rank and file senior citizens in America with this disease should not expect relief for another six or seven years . . . if at all.

Then there is the good news for male beer drinkers . . . beer has an ingredient that seems to help prevent prostate cancer . . . in lab tests. However a person would have to drink as many as 17 beers every day to get the necessary effect. Maybe some smart chemist will find the "good" parts of the hops and make it into a workable pill that even this country boy will agree to take.

The news out of Iraq on the killing of a major leader of the violence brought cheering to many, confusion to others. We saw where one writer put into words what many have been silently wondering, this writer was trying to understand (and justify) the killing of another man, with the teachings of the Ten Commandments "Thou Shall Not Kill." After some studying of the Bible, the "What Would Jesus Do?" stretched to mean this guy was asking for death. Reading in the King James version of the Holy Bible Matthew 7-12 this writer found "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them . . ." Does that justify the killings of war? Does it mean the bad guy was "asking for it." Personally we remain hawkish in this department but probably not as much as we were 50 years ago.

This recent "success" by American troops will not stop the killings but it should ultimately help dull the desire to take up arms against so many innocent people, including their own countrymen.

Chris Street, who was the head man in the last Dorsey Trailer venture before it too failed for bankruptcy in 2004, was recently elected Orange County, California treasurer-tax collector. He won by an overwhelming majority. Street had the blessing of the incumbent who was seeking another elected post. Some estimates are that while Street managed millions of dollars with the Furehauf pension fund, he will manage billions in this new position. The 55-year-old Street also won in spite of volumes of bad press dealing with his management of the Furehauf Trailer pension fund and news reports of as many as 1,000 pages of court records claiming to show that in his position at Furehauf he used pension money to expand a business he was supposed to sell (the trailer building operation in Mexico). There were claims that when he took over the retirement fund there was a surplus of funds and in 2004 the federal government took control of the fund when it got into financial trouble. There were some predictions that it would ultimately cost American taxpayers \$7 million to bail out the retirement fund. There are lawsuits and counter lawsuits in this matter. Street was quoted in the Orange County Register on April 22nd as saying, "I'm shocked that I've been blamed for what in my mind was an excellent job." Other claims in the matter accuse Street of charging to the company expenses for a family trip to Maui, another to Cabo San Lucas, co-payment on his health insurance and thousands of dollars of undocumented expenses. He has also been criticized for placing his wife on the payroll during this period. He defended this action by pointing to her training and abilities. There was a defamations suit filed against the man who made the mismanagement charges.

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Governor Riley orders delay in implementation of a new federal rule on commercial vehicles until some questions are answered

Governor Bob Riley has postponed implementation of a federal transportation regulation in Alabama for six months. Until then, a task force appointed by the Governor will work to answer questions that some Alabamians have expressed about the federal requirements regarding intrastate commercial vehicles.

The federal regulations were scheduled to go into effect in Alabama on July 1. Governor Riley's order suspends implementation until January 1, 2007.

"Because of the great number of questions and issues that have been raised by the intrastate commercial vehicle regulation

process, I've directed the Department of Public Safety to delay implementation of the registration deadline from July 1, 2006 until January 1, 2007. We certainly want to follow federal law and will do so. However, this postponement will allow us the opportunity to form a task force of interested parties to work with DPS to more fully understand the process and requirements of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations. With the amount of ambiguity and misunderstanding that is out there, I won't let this go forward until there's a better understanding of this federal law and its requirements," Governor Riley said.

Commercial motor vehicle operators involved in interstate commerce already have to display a U.S. Department of Transportation number on their vehicles. The federal rules also extend that requirement to commercial motor vehicle operators involved in intrastate commerce.

Alabama Farmers Federation President Jerry A. Newby thanked Governor Riley for taking action to delay the federal rule.

"Many of our members across the state have questions about these federal requirements. Governor Riley is taking the

right steps to address their concerns and we thank him," Newby said.

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• WATER & ELECTRIC - Tuesday following 2nd Monday - 6 p.m. - City Hall
• ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. - Tues. - 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
• GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP - every Monday 6:30 p.m. - Elba United Methodist Church - enter on side on W. Davis St. - Maggie Garrett Classroom.
• COFFEE COUNTY COMMISTION - 2nd & 4th Monday - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton
• LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center
• ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 2nd Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Sup. Office
• AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Tuesday of every month - 7:00 p.m. Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
• MASONIC LODGE 170 - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month - 7 p.m. - 430 New Brockton @ Elba High School
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• NEW SEASONS STUDY CLUB - Every 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.
• ELBA KIWANIS CLUB - 1st & 3rd Thursday - 7 a.m. - Ranch House

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, June 5, 2006, investigated the following incidents: one giving a false name to a law enforcement officer, one domestic dispute, one child in need of supervision, one harassing communications, three for harassment, one domestic violence, three for assault.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: eleven for not wearing a seat belt, one for a revoked driver's license, one for a switched tag, one for giving a false name to law enforcement officers, two for gas drive off, one for no insurance, one for allowing a minor to operate a vehicle and one for driving without first obtaining a driver's license.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows: MONDAY, JUNE 5 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to Brunson Trailer Park (10:46 p.m.).

TUESDAY, JUNE 6 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 327 Solie Dr. (12:01 a.m.); Prowler reported at Dr. Dyess' office (1:38 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 873 Cedar Lane Dr. (1:51 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1855 Hickman Ave. (9:56 a.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported on Carver Dr. (8:43 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 934 Sunset Blvd. (12:58 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 541 County Rd. 306 (12:41 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to Hwy. 166 and Hwy. 141 (6:55 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JUNE 8 - Elba Fire Department dispatched to the intersection of County Rd. 408 and Hwy. 141 (11:01 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JUNE 9 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JUNE 10 - Fight in progress reported at Pepper's Yellow Rose Saloon (3:25 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 943 Elm St. (9:24 a.m.); Wreck (vehicle vs. bike) reported at the Big/Little Store (8:22 p.m.); Disturbance (noise and unwanted guest) reported at 725 Roosevelt (10:12 p.m.); Disturbance reported at the dead end on Teresa St. (11:00 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JUNE 11 - Fight in progress reported at the corner of Buford and Addison street on Martin Luther King Dr. (12:19 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported in Mr. Henry's parking lot (6:01 p.m.).

MONDAY, JUNE 12 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

TUESDAY, JUNE 13 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JUNE 15 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JUNE 16 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JUNE 17 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JUNE 18 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

MONDAY, JUNE 19 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

TUESDAY, JUNE 20 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JUNE 22 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JUNE 23 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JUNE 24 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JUNE 25 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

MONDAY, JUNE 26 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

TUESDAY, JUNE 27 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JUNE 29 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JUNE 30 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JULY 1 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JULY 2 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

MONDAY, JULY 3 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

TUESDAY, JULY 4 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JULY 6 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JULY 7 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JULY 8 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JULY 9 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

MONDAY, JULY 10 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

TUESDAY, JULY 11 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JULY 13 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JULY 14 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JULY 15 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JULY 16 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

hance reported at 873 Cedar Lane Dr. (1:51 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1855 Hickman Ave. (9:56 a.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported on Carver Dr. (8:43 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 934 Sunset Blvd. (12:58 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 541 County Rd. 306 (12:41 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to Hwy. 166 and Hwy. 141 (6:55 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JUNE 8 - Elba Fire Department dispatched to the intersection of County Rd. 408 and Hwy. 141 (11:01 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JUNE 9 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JUNE 10 - Fight in progress reported at Pepper's Yellow Rose Saloon (3:25 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 943 Elm St. (9:24 a.m.); Wreck (vehicle vs. bike) reported at the Big/Little Store (8:22 p.m.); Disturbance (noise and unwanted guest) reported at 725 Roosevelt (10:12 p.m.); Disturbance reported at the dead end on Teresa St. (11:00 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JUNE 11 - Fight in progress reported at the corner of Buford and Addison street on Martin Luther King Dr. (12:19 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported in Mr. Henry's parking lot (6:01 p.m.).

MONDAY, JUNE 12 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

TUESDAY, JUNE 13 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JUNE 15 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JUNE 16 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JUNE 17 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

SUNDAY, JUNE 18 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy. 189 N. (8:28 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 189 (8:49 p.m.); Fight in progress reported in the parking lot of the Elba MarketPlace (10:49 p.m.).

MONDAY, JUNE 19 - Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 181 Jackson St. (5:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 25138 Hwy. 87 (8:09 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a woods fire on Hwy.

JACK WATER SYSTEM 2005 ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

We're very pleased to provide to you with this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you of the good quality water and system services provided to you during January - December 2005. We at the Jack Water System work around the clock to provide top quality water to you our customer. Our goal is to provide our customers with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Zion Chapel School located at Highway 87 North, Jack, AL, 36346.

Our Board of Directors Are: Willey Vann, President Phil Rugg, Vice President Roxie Smart, Secretary Kenneth Lambert Jimmy Ray Ward

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Mr. Harold Johnson, Certified Operator at (334) 897-6738.

WATER SOURCE INFORMATION AND TREATMENT TECHNIQUES

The Authority is supplied water from three groundwater wells. The water we supply comes from the Clayton Aquifer. The Authority also purchases water from the Pike County Water Authority. The Pike County Water Authority utilizes groundwater taken from the Ripley Aquifer. The water we provide our customers requires no specialized treatment. However, chlorine is added to the water for disinfection purposes. This insures the quality of water throughout our distribution system.

In compliance with the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM), Jack Water System has developed a Source of Water Assessment plan that will assist in protecting our water sources. This plan provides additional information such as potential sources of contamination. It includes a susceptibility analysis, which classifies potential contaminants as high, moderate, or non-susceptible to contaminating the water source. All of the potential contaminants listed in our study area were rated as low. The assessment has been performed, public notification has been completed, and the plan has been approved by ADEM. A copy of the report is available in our office for review during normal business hours, or you may purchase a copy upon request for a nominal reproduction fee. Please help us make this effort worthwhile by protecting our source water. Carefully follow instructions on pesticides and herbicides you use for your lawn and garden, and properly dispose of household chemicals, paints and waste oil.

The Jack Water System Board routinely completes a water storage facility inspection plan, and utilizes a Bacteriological Monitoring Plan and a Cross Connection Policy in place to insure good safe drinking water for our customers.

PLAIN LANGUAGE DEFINITIONS

The Jack Water System and The Pike County Water Authority routinely monitor for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The following tables show the levels of any detected contaminant results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2005. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk. In the following tables you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

Non-Detects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

Jack Water System Table of Detected Contaminants					
CONTAMINANT	MCLG	MCL	Range	Amount Detected	Likely Source of Contamination
Iron	0	TT		0.43	NTU Soil runoff
Copper	1.3	AL=1.3	No. of Sites above section level 0	0.09	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Nitrate	10	10	ND - 0.15	0.15	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits

Jack Water System Detected Secondary Contaminants (2004)			
CONTAMINANT	AMOUNT DETECTED	MCL	UNIT MEASUREMENT
Chloride	3.04	250	PPM
Iron	0.18	0.3	PPM
Manganese	0.02	0.05	PPM
Total Dissolved Solids	168	500	PPM
Detected Special Contaminants (2004)			
CONTAMINANT	AMOUNT DETECTED	MCL	UNIT MEASUREMENT
Calcium	57.3	N/A	PPM
Carbon Dioxide	4.2	N/A	PPM
Magnesium	7.74	N/A	PPM
Specific Conductance	325	N/A	PPM
pH	7.4	N/A	PPM
Sodium	1.96	N/A	PPM
Sulfate	10.1	500	PPM
Total Alkalinity	152	N/A	PPM
Total Hardness (as CaCO3)	175	N/A	PPM

Pike County Water Authority Table of Detected Contaminants					
CONTAMINANT	MCLG	MCL	Range	Amount Detected	Likely Source of Contamination
Organic Chemicals					
THM 2005	0	80	ND - 3.0	3.0	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Table of Primary Contaminants

At high levels some primary contaminants are known to pose a health risks to humans. This table provides a quick glance of any primary contaminant detections.

CONTAMINANT	MCL	AMOUNT DETECTED	CONTAMINANT	MCL	AMOUNT DETECTED
Bacteriological			Endothall	100	ND
Total Coliform Bacteria	< 5%	0	Endrin	2	ND
Turbidity	TT	43	Epichlorohydrin	TT	ND
Radiological			Glyphosate	700	ND
Beta/photon emitters (mrem/yr)	4	ND	Heptachlor	400	ND
Alpha emitters (pci/l)	15	ND	Heptachlor epoxide	200	ND
Combined radium (pci/l)	5	ND	Hexachlorobenzene	1	ND
Uranium	30	ND	Lindane	200	ND
Inorganic			Methoxychlor	40	ND
Antimony (ppb)	6	ND	Oxamyl (Vydate)	200	ND
Arsenic (ppb)	10	ND	PCBs	500	ND
Asbestos (MFL)	7	ND	Pentachlorophenol	1	ND
Barium (ppm)	2	ND	Picloram	500	ND
Beryllium (ppb)	4	ND	Simazine	4	ND
Cadmium (ppb)	5	ND	Toxaphene	3	ND
Chromium (ppb)	100	ND	Benzene	5	ND
Copper (ppm)	AL=1.3	ND.09	Carbon Tetrachloride	5	ND
Cyanide (ppb)	200	ND	Chlorobenzene	100	ND
Fluoride (ppm)	4	ND	Dibromochloropropane	200	ND
Lead (ppb)	AL=15	ND	0-Dichlorobenzene	600	ND
Mercury (ppb)	2	ND	p-Dichlorobenzene	75	ND
Nitrate (ppm)	10	.15	1,2-Dichloroethane	5	ND
Nitrite (ppm)	1	ND	1,1-Dichloroethylene	7	ND
Selenium	50	ND	Cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene	70	ND
Organic Chemicals			Dichloromethane	5	ND
2,4-D	70	ND	1,2-Dichloropropane	5	ND
2,4,5-TP (Silvex)	50	ND	Ethylbenzene	700	ND
Acrylamide	TT	ND	Ethylene dibromide	50	ND
Alachlor	2	ND	Styrene	100	ND
Atrazine	3	ND	Tetrachloroethylene	5	ND
Benzo(a)pyrene(PHAs)	200	ND	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	70	ND
Carbofuran	40	ND	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	200	ND
Chlordane	2	ND	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	5	ND
Dalapon	200	ND	Trichloroethylene	5	ND
Di-(2-ethylhexyl)adipate	400	ND	THM	80	3.0
Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalates	6	ND	Toluene	1	ND
Dinoseb	7	ND	Vinyl Chloride	2	ND
Diquat	20	ND	Xylenes	10	ND
Dioxin[2,3,7,8-TCDD]	30	ND	TOC	TT	ND
Chlorimines (MRDLG)	4	ND	Chlorine (MRDLG)	4	ND
Chlorite	1	ND	Chlorine Dioxide (MRDLG)	800	ND
Haloacetic Acids	60	ND	Bromate	10	ND

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (nanograms/l) - one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

Parts per quadrillion (ppq) or Picograms per liter (picograms/l) - one part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Millirems per year (mrem/yr) - measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

Variances & Exemptions (V&E) - State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Treatment Technique (TT) - A treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Maximum Contaminant Level - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

As you can see by the tables, our system had no violations of allowable limits of contaminants in drinking water. We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some constituents have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels.

Variances/ Waivers

Based on a study conducted by ADEM with the Approval of the EPA a statewide waiver for the monitoring of asbestos and dioxin was issued. Thus monitoring for these contaminants was not required.

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. MCLs are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

Total Coliform: The Total Coliform Rule requires water systems to meet a stricter limit for Coliform bacteria. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When Coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public by newspaper, television or radio. To comply with the stricter regulation, we have increased the average amount of chlorine in the distribution system.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. People who are immunocompromised, such as cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy, organ transplant recipients, HIV/AIDS positive or individuals with other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants, can be particularly at risk from infections. Those at risk should seek advice about drinking water from the health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. These improvements are sometimes reflected as rate structure adjustments. Thank you for understanding. We at the Jack Water System work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.

For more information contact: Mr. Harold Johnson, Operator Jack Water System P.O. Box Drawer C Jack, Alabama 36346 (334) 897-6738



LUKE HICKMAN, a member of the Bullfrogs t-ball team, enjoyed playing ball during the Elba Recreation Department's youth baseball/softball season. While Luke and his other t-ball comrades were able to play several different positions during the season, he is shown above portraying the catcher's squat behind home plate.

Picnic for the Park set for June 29th

The countdown to build week continues for the Elba Community Playground, and playground committee members hope an upcoming event will create even more excitement for the project.

"Picnic for the Park" will be held Thursday, June 29, at the Elba High School cafeteria beginning at 6:30 p.m. The event will offer interested citizens of all ages an opportunity to learn specific details regarding the project while also helping to raise additional needed funds for the playground and build enthusiasm about the upcoming build week where many volunteers from the community will be needed to build the playground.

"Picnic" tables will be arranged within the high school's cafeteria, and a meal of grilled hamburgers with delicious sides will be served.

Individual tickets are available for purchase at \$20 per plate. Also, a special section will be reserved for children (age 12 and below) for a lesser amount at \$10 per child featuring grilled

hot dogs.

Playground committee members feel "Picnic for the Park" will be an ideal time for churches, organizations, co-workers, families, etc. to come together for a fun, relaxing event that will aid the community in achieving the goal of developing a state-of-the-art playground for area children.

"Picnic for the Park" will be a casual event with the dress code following that of traditional picnics. The deadline to purchase tickets is Friday, June 23rd.

For more information regarding "Picnic for the Park", contact Laurie Chapman at (334) 897-1152 or email: lauriechapman@charter.net.

For those unable to attend, the playground committee encourages contributions to this worthwhile cause. All donations are tax deductible.

Additional information regarding the Elba Community Playground project can be found by visiting the website at: www.elbaalabama.net/playground. The build week is set for the week of Sept. 20-24.

Governor awards grant to support anti-drug efforts in Pike and Coffee counties

Governor Bob Riley has awarded \$147,500 to the Pike County Commission to continue the fight against the manufacture and distribution of illegal drugs in Pike and Coffee counties.

The grant will help the 12th Judicial Circuit Drug and Violent Crimes Task Force obtain much-needed equipment such as drug test kits, body armor and surveillance tools.

"We must remain aggressive in our fight against illegal drugs,

especially the growing threat of meth," Governor Riley said. "This task force has a good track record of busting meth labs and taking illegal drugs off the streets. I'm pleased to award these needed funds to ensure the task force's continued operation and success in protecting the citizens of Pike and Coffee counties."

The task force finds and destroys illegal drug laboratories and identifies, arrests and prosecutes those who make, use

and distribute illegal drugs. The unit has made 965 arrests, busted 23 meth labs, and seized more than 1,200 grams of cocaine, crack and marijuana during a nine-month period ending March 31, 2006.

The task force is staffed by seven law enforcement officers and two assistant district attorneys. Participating agencies include the sheriff's offices of Pike and Coffee counties, the municipal police departments of Troy, Elba and Enterprise, and

the 12th Circuit District Attorney's Office.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs will administer the grant from funds made available to the state by the U.S. Department of Justice. The grant is being matched dollar-for-dollar by the participating agencies to supplement the award.

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SPORTS

Views from....

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

I can remember back when I was in school we would get out in late May and not go back until after Labor Day, and during the three month vacation I would spend time playing ball, visiting my grandparents and going on a family vacation. Those days are gone forever for the kids of today, especially those that take part in extra-curricular activities. This summer school got out in late May, but the students will head back the first week of August and in the weeks in between many will have to be at the school at least a few days a week to attend workouts for athletics or work on other school projects. Years ago there was a lot of talk about "year round" school, and for many here in Elba that time has already come.

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH....

*** The Dothan Eagle announced its annual "Super 12" high school softball teams last weekend and Kinston's Coach Janie Wiggins may have made history by being named the "Coach of the Year" in both softball and volleyball. Coach Wiggins led the Lady Bulldogs to the state tournament back in the fall in volleyball and was honored for helping her team achieve state honors by taking home top coach honors, and now the Kinston coach has been named the top coach on the softball field after leading the Lady Bulldogs to a third place finish at the state tournament a few weeks back. Anyone can work with a team and call themselves a coach, but true coaches can coach any sport at any level and are also leaders on and off the field. Coach Janie Wiggins has proven herself as a coach and a role model for years down at Kinston and at the same time has always been there for her family. She is a special coach and Kinston High is lucky to have her!

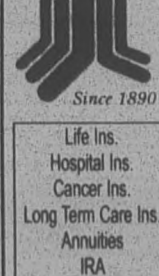
*** Last week's "Super 12" picks did honor many of the top players across South Alabama, but there was a number of other worthy players from area schools that also had seasons deserving of honors. Here at Elba High senior Stephanie Baxley had another solid year as a pitcher and led her team to sub-state, while senior Whitney Lawford was a mainstay at first base and at the plate and junior Melanie Mularz pounded out 40 hits in just 29 games, batted over 400 and ignored a number of injuries to anchor the team at shortstop. Kinston had one player make the honored squad, but freshman pitcher Bethany Holley and senior catcher Heather Marlowe also had big years, as did Zion Chapel senior outfielder Keri Hobbs and Nov Brocton junior shortstop Valerie Hutchinson. I know only a dozen high schoolers can make the list, but believe me when I write that many more were also very deserving.

*** The All-Star tournaments are just around the corner in both baseball and softball and that means many hundreds of players, coaches and parents will soon be heading out all across South Alabama every night of the week to travel to various parks to play and support their teams. Elba will host two baseball tournaments and possibly one softball tournament, while the other tournaments for Elba teams will be in Zion Chapel and Opa in baseball, and in softball the All-Stars will travel to Lufkin, Brantley, Greenville and Andalusia. I urge all fans to support these All-Star teams and make it to a couple of games to let 'em know how you feel.

*** In closing... I'm not a big college sports fan and certainly don't have time to watch much TV, but in recent weeks I have found the time to watch the College World Series in softball and some regional action in baseball. I will admit I got a little bored at times. However, if I am going to watch sports on the tube college action sure beats the Braves. Come to think of it, anything and any team also beats the Braves.

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At Kinston's SAS Steven Davis takes home checkered flag in Viper race

By Mark Chisum

Two weeks ago, Steven Davis beat 30 other Pro Late Model drivers in the Wiregrass 100 only to have the win taken away in post race inspection. Saturday night, Davis returned to South Alabama Speedway for the second of the track's Pro Late Model Viper Series races, and took the checkered flag again.

Davis set fast time in qualifying and then drew a one for inversion, keeping his front row seat. When the green flag dropped, David grabbed the lead, taking outside front row starter DuWayne Middlebrooks with him. Davis and Middlebrooks slipped away from the rest of the field to settle things between themselves. Davis led the entire race, but Middlebrooks was poised to steal the win at the end.

As they exited turn two on the final lap, Davis slipped just enough for Middlebrooks to make his move. Middlebrooks closed to Davis, bumper as they entered turn three. Middlebrooks gave Davis a little tap to loosen the leader up. Davis kept control of his Monte Carlo and the pair headed out of turn four. Middlebrooks ducked under Davis as they headed to the checkered flag but could only get up to Davis' door as they crossed the stripe.

Brett Hanson held off a hard charging Kevin Peel to take the win in the Modified Feature. Darrell Blanton took the early lead before Mike Daniels stormed into the top spot on lap three. Daniels had a fast car and maintained his lead until a hard 18 restart. By this time Hanson and Peel had made their way from the rear of the field and were fighting for second. On the restart, Daniels slipped as he powered his Modified to the green flag. Hanson, seizing the opportunity, stuck his right front under Daniels. There was contact and Daniels spun into the inside wall, ending his night. Hanson and Peel battled the rest of the way for the win with Hanson holding off Peel to take the win.

In the Street Stock Feature, Billy Ammons had little competition taking the win. Ammons started sixth, but took the lead before a lap was completed. Ammons ran away from the field to take the wire to wire win. Joe Bethea Jr. made his first South Alabama start and went home with a second place finish.

In the night's most exciting race, Tim Peters, Jerry Hudson, and John Singletary battled to the end for the Roadrunner win.

Peters took the lead from the start of the race, holding off LaDunn Stokes early. Hudson and Singletary were making their way from the back and joined the race up front around the halfway point. For the remainder of the race, Peters and Hudson battled side by side, trading paint each lap. Singletary was on Peters, bumper, even beating Hudson to the line on occasion. Peters held his ground on the inside and beat Hudson to the stripe. Singletary tried to grab second away at the end but was unable to get past Hudson.

In the Mini Sportsman Feature, Mike Wolfe took the lead on lap 12 and went on to take the win. Aaron Horan took the early lead before dropping off the pace on the second lap. Burl Brunson took the point before Cameron Henderson took control on lap four. Eddie Hinson took the point three laps later and led until Wolfe made his winning pass.

For more information, contact the track at (334) 565-3539, or visit the track's web site at www.southalabamaspeedway.com/.

Results

Pro Late Model

1. Steven Davis
2. DuWayne Middlebrooks
3. Frank King
4. Ronnie Sanders
5. Bill Bethea II

Modified

1. Brett Hanson
2. Kevin Peel
3. Kip Whitehead
4. Darrell Blanton
5. Randy Sherwood

Street Stock

1. Billy Ammons
2. Joe Bethea Jr
3. Tim Owens
4. Danny Cooper
5. Dee Bucklew

Roadrunner

1. Tim Peters
2. Jerry Hudson
3. John Singletary
4. Chris Lucas
5. Keith Calhoun

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EOCC to host youth sports camps in June

Enterprise-Ozark Community College will be hosting several basketball camps this summer. The first camp will take place June 26-29 for boys and girls k through 3rd grade. The camp will be held at the E.O.C.C. gym from 9 A.M. until noon each day. The cost of this camp is \$50.

The second camp will be held for boys entering 4th grade through rising seniors in high school. The camp will be July 17-20, from 9 A.M. until 3 P.M. The cost of this camp is \$65. E.O.C.C. will be holding a Perimeter Players Camp July 24-26. The camp is for boys and girls grades 6 and up. This camp is designed for players who want to improve their skills as guards or wings. This camp will run from 1:30 PM until 6 PM, and costs \$65. This camp is very intense and designed to get the players to the "Next Level".

The Post Player Camp will be held July 27-July 29. The camp is for boys and girls grades 6 and up. The camp will be from 1:30 until 6 P.M. Thursday and Friday, and 9 A.M. until noon Saturday. This camp is for players who would like to learn how to play inside. The cost is \$65. This camp is very intense and designed to get the players to the "Next Level".

If you have questions about these camps, please call John Ayers at 347-2623 ext 2303 or 806-5928 for more details.

SUPPORT THE ELBA ALL-STARS



Kinston's Kaleigh Sanders

Wiggins named top coach

Kinston's Kaleigh Sanders named to Super 12 by The Dothan Eagle

The Dothan Eagle announced its annual "Super 12" selections in high school softball over the weekend with Kinston's Janie Wiggins claiming "Coach of the Year" honors and Lady Bulldog pitcher Kaleigh Sanders earning a spot on the honored list.

Coach Wiggins led the Lady Bulldogs to a fourth place finish at the Class 1A state tournament in 2005 and this season led her team to a third place finish.

"I wanted the team to play in some high caliber tournaments during the regular season to prepare us for the state tournament and it helped us," stated Wiggins. "The girls went to the state tournament confident because we had beaten several good teams and came close in others. It gave us confidence."

The tough tournament schedule and regular season schedule included 33 games against teams that made it to sub-state or the state tournament, nine games against 6A teams and one against 3A state runner-up Dadeville. In those 33 games the Lady Bulldogs posted an 18-15 record.

"I may be the head coach," said Wiggins, "but all the coaches share responsibility and talk about things. Andy Sanders was a volunteer coach. However, he should share this coach of the year honor because he knows so much and is such a valuable part of the team. I am thankful he is on our staff."

Kaleigh Sanders, a junior that plays both short-stop and pitcher, was a dependable leader on and off the field that sparked the Lady Bulldogs both on defense and at the plate. Sanders batted .319 with 28 rbi's and 6 sacrifices, while as a pitcher she posted a 12-12 record with 136 strike-outs in 134 innings.

Other members of the 2006 "Super 12" teams are as follows:

Small School Division

Whitney Weeks, Sophomore, Pitcher-First Baseman, Samson
Yonna Baine, Sophomore, Catcher, Samson
Katelyn Hart, Senior, Third Baseman, G.W. Long
Layne Peacock, Sophomore, Pitcher, Wicksburg
Kaleigh Sanders, Junior, Shortstop-Pitcher, Kinston
Katie Wiggins, Junior, Pitcher, Pleasant Home
Katie Ellis, Senior, Catcher, Abbeville Christian
Emily Jimmerson, Junior, Pitcher, Lakeside School
Rebecca Tate, Sophomore, Pitcher, Emmanuel Christian
Victoria Buie, Junior, Pitcher, Northside Methodist
Kelsey Coleman, Eighth Grade, Shortstop, Northside Methodist
Jill Mathis, Junior, Pitcher, Marianna
Player of the Year - Whitney Weeks, Samson
Coach of the Year - Janie Wiggins, Kinston

Large School Division

Kayla Gordon, Senior, Pitcher-Shortstop, Ashford
Nicole Walker, Junior, Catcher, Dothan
Natalie Walker, Eighth Grade, Pitcher, Dothan
Britney Robinson, Senior, Centerfield, Enterprise
Madison Wagner, Junior, Pitcher-First Baseman, Northview
Coco McLendon, Senior, First Baseman, Carroll
Heather Snell, Senior, First Baseman, Charles Henderson
Terri Tanner, Junior, Shortstop, Eufaula
Hannah Reynolds, Junior, Pitcher-Outfielder, Andalusia
Tabitha Jenkins, Senior, Catcher, Geneva
Courtney Cherry, Freshman, Shortstop, Rehobeth
Tabitha Runkler, Senior, Catcher, Headland
Player of the Year - Kayla Gordon, Ashford
Coach of the Year - Lori Snell, Enterprise

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SPORTS

Limited schedule of action in youth sports

Dixie Ponytails Softball

Zion Chapel Spirit 15 Elba Patriots 0 - The Zion Chapel Spirit took advantage of 14 walks to coast past the Elba Patriots 15-1. Heather Hines, Leana Vinson and Nicole Mauldin all had 1 hit and scored 2 runs to lead the Spirit, while Nicole Holloway added 1 hit and scored 1 run and Sydney Williamson and Hillary Davis both scored 2 runs.

Zion Chapel Spirit 7 Elba Patriots 4 - The Zion Chapel Spirit rallied late to pull out a 7-4 win over the Elba Patriots. Sydney Williamson and Janie Hall both had 1 hit and scored 1 run to lead the Spirit, while Leana Vinson scored 2 runs. Kayla Riels and Ally Ware both had 1 hit and scored 1 run to lead the Patriots, while Janie Carley added 1 hit.

Cubs 26 Red Sox 25 - The Cubs outscored the Red Sox 26-25. Grant Akridge, Isaiah Kyles, Jordan Kidd and Harley Sanders all scored 4 runs to lead the Cubs, while Mason Davis and Logan Davis both scored 3 runs. Braxton Robinson scored 2 runs, Keshon Reese and Troy Funk both scored 1 run, and also batting was Chase Nelson, Blake Dawson scored 4 runs to lead the Sox, while Chase Moseley, Tyler Dawson, Shawn Carley, Tanner Herrington and Jeremiah Jordan all scored 3 runs, and Zack Odom, Trip Hudson and B.J. Free all scored 2 runs.

Indians 11 Orioles 7 - The Indians pulled ahead early and held on late to down the Orioles 11-7. Talon Flowers, Tyree Sistrunk, Landon Carley and Trinton Smith all scored 2 runs to lead the Indians, while Jamal Smith, Tanner Hudson and Kori Foster all scored 1 run, and also batting were Levi Morgan and Ashton Hurt. J. Cole Spicer, Kenneth Neil Amison, Tanner Skinner, Quan Jordan, Dalton Parrish, Gavin Caldwell and Michael Jones all scored 1 run for the Orioles, while also batting were Dalton Sewell, Cavosea Stinson,

Romello Jones and Kendre Jordan.

Indians 15 Cubs 15 - The Indians and Cubs battled to a 15-15 tie. Landon Carley scored 3 runs to lead the Indians, while Dontavious Williams, Levi Morgan, Tanner Hudson and Kori Foster all scored 2 runs; Talon Flowers, Jamal Smith, Tyree Sistrunk and Trinton Smith all scored 1 run and also batting was Ashton Hurt. Grant Akridge scored 4 runs to lead the Cubs, while Mason Davis scored 3 runs, Logan Davis scored 2 runs, Isaiah Kyles, Jordan Kidd, Harley Sanders, Braxton Robinson, Keshon Reese and Chase Nelson all scored 1 run, and also batting was Troy Funk.

Dixie Boys Baseball

Zion Chapel 4 Samson 0 - Zion Chapel pulled ahead early and never looked back to defeat Samson 4-0. Garrett Stinson had 2 hits and 2 rbi's to lead Zion Chapel, while Lance Walden added 1 hit and scored 2 runs.

Free educational series to begin June 16 at Landmark Park with "Great Gators"

On Friday, June 16th, Landmark Park will present "Great Gators", a free, kid-friendly educational program that teaches event participants about the often misunderstood American Alligator. Trip Ward, a conservation officer with the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, will present skins, skulls, and a live alligator to help participants understand the lifestyle and habits of one of south Alabama's largest reptiles.

"Animal Adventures", a series of educational programs on animal-related topics, will begin with "Great Gators" and feature a new topic each Friday until July 22nd. Each hour-long event will take place in the Interpretive Center Auditorium at 10am. Limited Space is available for these programs and reservations are required. To make advanced reservations for "Great Gators" or to learn more about this or other events call the park office, 334-794-3452 or visit the park's web site at www.landmark.com.

Animal Adventures is made possible by a grant from the Wachovia Foundation. Admission to Landmark Park is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children, with kids age 3 and under admitted free. Landmark Park, home of the Alabama Agricultural Museum, is a 100-acre historical and natural science park located on U.S. Highway 431 North in Dothan, Alabama.

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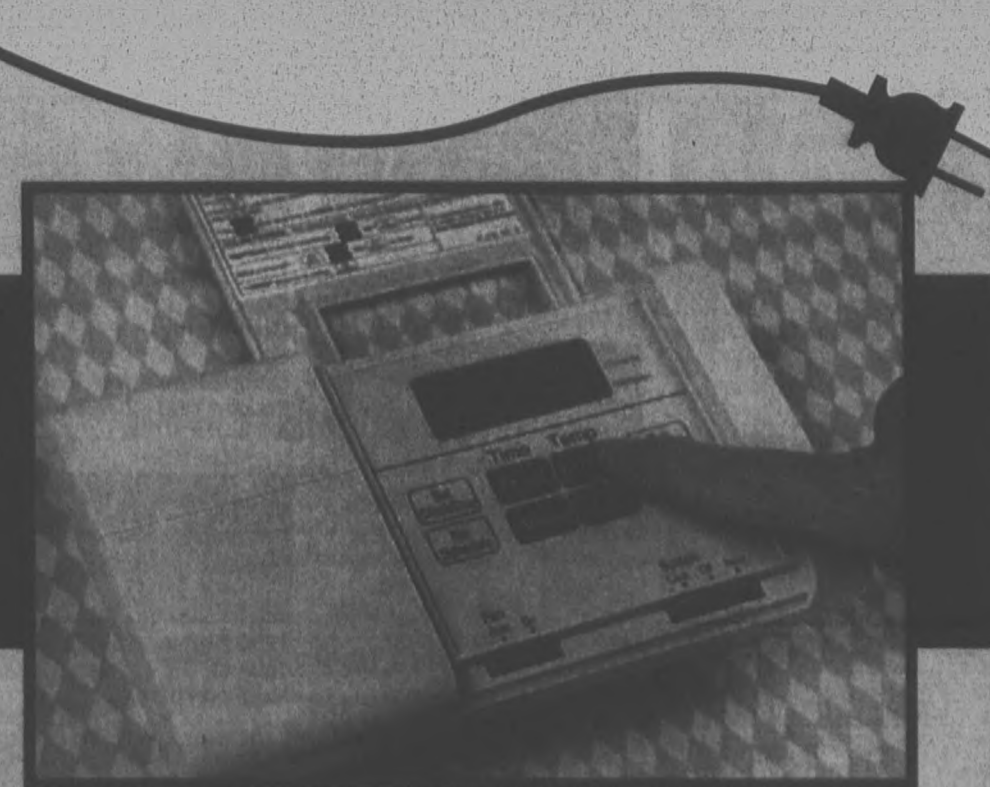
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We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

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SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT

In compliance with the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM), New Hope Water System, Inc. has developed a Source Water Assessment plan that will assist in protecting our water sources. This plan provides additional information such as potential sources of contamination. It includes a susceptibility analysis, which classifies potential contaminants as high, moderate, or non-susceptibility (low) to contaminating the water source. Of the 9 potential contaminants listed in our study area, only one was considered highly susceptible. The rest were rated low, or non-susceptible. The assessment has been performed, public notification has been completed, and the plan has been approved by ADEM. This plan is available in our office for review, or you may call our Secretary-Treasurer at 334-735-2287.

At New Hope Water System, we work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. Please help us make this effort worthwhile by protecting our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's futures. You can help by disposing of waste in the proper manner and reporting someone else who might not be doing so. Carefully follow instructions on pesticides and herbicides you use for your lawn garden, and properly dispose of household chemicals, paints and waste oil.

QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Larry Eageron at 334-393-0482 or Charlotte Eageron at 334-735-2287. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the first Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the New Hope Baptist Church fellowship hall.

Thank you for allowing us to continue providing you family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. These improvements are sometimes reflected as rate structure adjustments. Thank you for understanding.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, stream, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and radioactive material, and it can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

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- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk. MCL's, defined in the table at the end of this report, are set a very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water. Based on a study conducted by ADEM with the approval of the EPA a state wide waiver for the monitoring of asbestos and dioxin was issued. Thus, monitoring for these contaminants was not required.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

More information about contaminants to drinking water and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (1-800-426-4791).

As you can see by the table below, our system had no violations. We are pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets federal and state requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some constituents have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels. This report shows our water quality and what it means.

MONITORING SCHEDULE

New Hope Water System, Inc. routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to federal and state laws. This report contains results from the most recent monitoring which was performed in accordance with the regulatory schedule and from a Consumer Confidence Report supplied by Pike County Water Authority.

DEFINITIONS

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

- Non-Detects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.
- Not-Required (NR) - laboratory analysis not required due to waiver granted by the Environmental Protection Agency for the State of Alabama.
- Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/L) - corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
- Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
- Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (nanogram/L) - corresponds to one minute 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.
- Parts per quadrillion (ppq) or Picograms per liter (picogram/L) - corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

Constituents Monitored	New Hope	Pike County
Inorganic Contaminants	2004	2004
Lead/Copper	2004	2004
Microbiological Contaminants	2005	2005
Nitrates	2005	2005
Radioactive Contaminants	2003	2004
Synthetic Organic Contaminants (including herbicides and pesticides)	2003	2004
Volatile Organic Contaminants	2003	2005
Disinfection By-products	2004	2005

TABLE OF DETECTED DRINKING WATER CONTAMINANTS						
Constituent	Unit	Range	ppm	ppb	ppb	Notes
Antimony	NO	6.00				Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder
Barium	NO	0.13				Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Chromium	NO	1.00				Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
Copper	NO	0.076				Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Fluoride	NO	2.03				Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	NO	0.15				Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
THM [Total trihalomethanes]	NO	3.00				By-product of drinking water chlorination
HAAs [Total haloacetic acids]	NO	6.39				By-product of drinking water chlorination
Unregulated Contaminants						
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Boosting confidence in a child passengers safety important

Graco offers booster seat safety tips for Alabama parents

June 9, 2006 - Effective July 1, 2006 a new law in Alabama will require every child under the age of 6 to ride in child safety seat. Current law in Alabama applies to children under the age of 3. This means that children who may already be out of car seats will have to use an age/size appropriate booster seat.

The reason for the new law is due to national statistics that show 83 percent of children between the ages of 3 and 8, who should be using car seats or belt-positioning booster seats, are being inappropriately graduated to an adult seat belt.

According to national statistics, infants and toddlers ride in safety restraints more than 90 percent of the time, but children ages 4-7 ride in safety restraints only 73 percent of the time.

Both the American Academy of Pediatrics and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration recommend booster seats for children up to age 8. A national study conducted by The Partners for Child Passenger Safety, a research collaboration between State Farm Insurance Companies and Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, found that placing a 4-7 year old in a belt-positioning booster seat with a seat belt instead of a seat belt alone reduces the child's risk of injury by 50 percent.

"In order to make a child feel good about riding in a booster seat, manufacturers are now offering seats that are more personalized with fabrics that appeal to boys and girls specifically," said Carol Helmski, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Certified Installation Specialist and Child Safety Instructor/Coordinator for Graco Children's Products Inc. "If a child enjoys the booster seat that they ride in, it will make the process much easier on parents and less discouraging for children."

For parents of children now legally required to ride in booster seats, or who are ready to move their children into a booster seat, Graco Children's Products provides the following tips:

• Explain to your child from an early age that when he/she is older, a booster seat will still be needed.

• Allow your child to be part of the decision making process by letting him/her help in selecting his/her booster seat.

• Check your child's weight and height to ensure that he/she is placed in the proper size safety seat.

• When it is time to graduate to a booster seat, demonstrate to your child how the new seat will offer better protection than an adult seat belt.

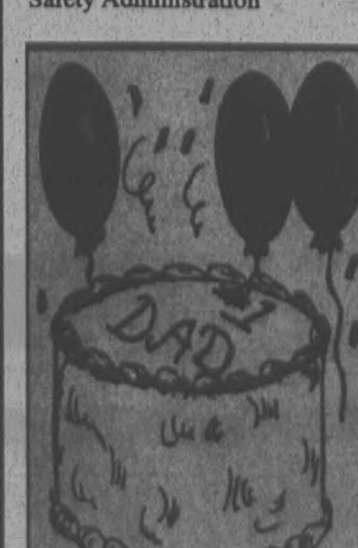
Remember that a child's age does not necessarily determine whether or not they should be in a booster seat. The easiest way to know if he/she needs to be in a booster seat is to ask these five simple questions:

- Does the child sit all the way back against the auto seat?
- Do the child's knees bend comfortably at the edge of the auto seat?
- Does the belt cross the shoulder between the neck and the arm?
- Is the lap belt as low as possible, touching the thighs?
- Can the child stay seated like this for the whole trip?

If the answer is no to any of these questions, he/she should be using a booster seat.

1 Partners for Child Passenger Safety

2 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration



COMMUNITY NEWS

New Brockton Elementary School announces fourth grading period honor roll

"A" Honor Roll
1st Grade: Ty Anderson, Haleigh Boswell, Eli Brown, Dalton Bryan, Al Hugo Davis III, Brandi Donaldson, Nash Downing, Madison Ellis, Corbin Griffin, Hayley Haggard, Tiffany Hataway, Sierra Hatfield, Jaxon Hawkins, Hanna Holloway, Shelia Hooks, Clayton Kelley, Holly Lewis, Hannah Lindsey, Molly McDaniel, Noah McDaniel, Amber Monn, Jessi O'Neal, Annley Padgett, Cody Price, Zachary Quiller, Patrick Richards, Felicity Sanders, Dylan Shehee, Brittany Tidwell, Michael Watson

2nd Grade: Casey Adkins, CerraLee Brewer, Carson Cardwell, Brandon Chancellor, Nicky Cooper, Kaci Demers, Tera Driskell, Haley Evans, Maggie Beth Harrison, Abigail Hutto, Blake McWaters, Wyatt Moore, Lakin Morris, Rhett Peacock, Jeffery Perdue, Brianna Strickland, Adrianna Whitaker

3rd Grade: Emily Bradley, Taylor Corbett, Whitaker Cotter, Mason DuBose, Kaelyn Fillingim, Braxton Johnson, Jennifer Lee, Kyle Ray, Alexandria Sanders, Aaron Simons

4th Grade: John Nathan

Dunaway, Daniel Everhart, Sara Hawkins, Reagan Kelley, Kaley Moore, Alysia Spivey, Cassie Stephenson, Grady Whitaker, Deanna Williams

5th Grade: Ashley Allen, Emily Anderson, Faith Caylor, Nathaniel Credille, Alexis Hall, Nicki Lee, Britney Magwood, Joshua Tipton, Kyle Turner, Ryan Watson

6th Grade: Shelby Adkins, Claire Bailey, Amber Barnett, Chad Beavers, Savannah Ellis, Lindsey Foster, Jena Freese, Sanh Herbert, Dannelly Mock, Teresa Moore, Allison Snell, Kimberly Stephenson

3rd Grade: Katie Adkison, Joshua Barbaccia, Brandon Carr, Katherine Clark, Octavia Green, Chase Henley, Ryan Hollis, Gaige Horstead, Matthew Marler, Destiny Patterson, Casey Rogers, Kelsey Rogers, Sarah Walters, Thomas Walters, Easton Waters, Robyn Watson

4th Grade: Kristy Aceman, Savannah Barber, Triston Brust, Robert Bryant, Abigail Haggard, Sara Hancock, Taylor Hataway, Patric Herring, Thomas Hobbs, Shavon Hooks, Jordan Jones, Lakin Jones-Pitt, Harlie McDurmont, Shadi Melvin, Brittany Mitchell, Marquise Neal, Keenan Rachel, Daisy Shelton, Johnathon Watson, Tryston Whitely

5th Grade: Robyn Adkison, Aubrey Bryant, Heaven Caldwell, Kaitlyn Corbett, Kayla Demers, Gage Driskell, Hannah Ellis, Austin Green, Logan Harrison, Dakota Hobbs, Katelyn Hutto, Brooklyn Kersey, Christen Lindsey, Zachary Miller, Shakiera Newson, Hanna Pearson, Taylor Pearson, Eli Senn, Emily Smith, Jesse Watson, Heather Weeks, Hunter Winters

6th Grade: Chad Andrews, Ryan Boop, Rebel Boswell, Amanda Braden, Adam Bryant, Sloan Cotter, Kaitlan Crosby, James Haynes, Laken Hornsby, Braken Hutto, Angel Insley, Matthew Richard, Kiara Thomas, Shanie Webber, Tyler Whitely, Chastity Winburn



Honor students were recognized recently during Enterprise-Ozark Community College's annual Honors Day Assembly. From left to right are pictured Kristina Seals of New Brockton, Celia J. Roberts of Elba and Hannah M. Seay of Kinston. Honor students had to have completed 36 or more credit hours at EOCC while maintaining a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and have been enrolled as a full-time student at least one term during the current academic year.

Program supports students who are first generation in their family to attend college

Being the first in one's family to go to college is a lifelong dream and an enormous achievement for many high school students. Today, Mercedes-Benz USA (MBUSA) with support from local Mercedes-Benz dealers helped turn that dream into a reality for local students.

Alabama students were awarded \$10,000 DRIVE YOUR FUTURE scholarships. Among those awarded was Donna Flowers, a Zion Chapel High School student, attending Troy State University in the fall.

The scholarship recipients are among 150 college-bound high school seniors selected from an applicant pool of more than 8,000 students. Through support from MBUSA and the fundraising activities of Mercedes-Benz dealers nationwide, a total of \$1.5 million in DRIVE YOUR FUTURE scholarships will be awarded this year to students across the United States.



Donna Flowers

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News from Zion Chapel Schools:

NOTICE TO STUDENTS INVOLVED in the Summer Reading Program at Zion Chapel Schools: the assigned reading books will be available for purchase at Books-A-Million on Friday, June 16, or can be purchased at the school beginning Friday.

ZION CHAPEL SCHOOLS currently is accepting pre-orders for Academic Achievement t-shirts. Those interested in purchasing a t-shirt (\$10) should contact Julie Norris at the school at (334) 897-6275.

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My family and I would like to thank everyone for their votes and expressions of support during the Primary campaign and ask for your continued support in the General Election.

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and she said the facility is a wonderful service not only for the people of Elba but also for the people of Coffee County.

Whitworth also said she was working with the health department when the adult daycare program was started, and she saw just how important program is to not only the clients but also the families.

Commissioner Robert Stephens said he has spoken with Senator Jimmy Holley and Representative Terry Spicer and they in turn have spoken with Governor Bob Riley. He said Holley and Spicer said the governor is for keeping the facility open and is looking for funding avenues.

Stephens made the motion to amend the budget to appropriate \$7,000 to keep the Elba Adult Daycare facility open through Oct. 1st. He received a second, and the motion passed by an unanimous vote.

"I visit this center often, and it touches your heart," Stephens said following the vote. "I appreciate everyone for voting for this."

In other business, commissioners:

• Approved the annual tax settlement report presented by Revenue Commissioner Ronnie Burns. Burns said a total of \$9,600,137.13 in property taxes was collected for the year. In presenting his report, Burns said land values have increased immensely over the past few years, and the county should expect a huge increase in taxes collected this next year.

• Approved a request from Aaron Estes, a member of a Christian musical group from Enterprise, to use the farm center facility free of rent for a benefit show for the community. Estes said 100 percent of the proceeds from this show will go to the Coffee County Youth and Family Services. He said a proposed date for the show is Saturday, July 29.

• Approved motions giving county engineer Randy Tindell permission to bid liners for roll-off dumpsters and to purchase five 30-yard roll-off containers.

• Approved a motion to allow New Brockton Mayor Charles

Cole's church to use the farm center parking lot for a yard sale on Saturday, June 24. However, the motion included an amendment that county administrator Wilson Mobley check on liability coverage for this event or draw up a document relieving the county from liability if no coverage.

• Approved a motion to reject all bids and re-bid the construction projects for the Zion Chapel Senior Center building and the NRCS office expansion. The county administrator said the bids received were astronomically high. Later in the meeting, Commissioner Linda Westbrook said she feels like things have been running behind on getting the Zion Chapel Senior Center built, and she would like to see things moving in a forward direction.

The next regular meeting for the Coffee County Commission will be Monday, June 26, at 9 a.m. in the community room of the county complex in New Brockton.

Happy Father's Day



Sunday, June 18th!

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THIS STATELY OAK TREE standing on Hickman Avenue near Lee Construction Company was planted by Mrs. Bonnie Ruth Johnson almost 65 years ago on what was known then as the John Brown Hill. Harold and Glen Johnson remember when their mother transplanted the small sapling from the woods to their front yard. The late Mr. Jess R. and Bonnie also have a daughter Norma Jean Parker who lives with her family in Tennessee.

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New law changes adoption requirements at Elba Animal Shelter beginning July 1st

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba's animal control officer, George Homyak, enjoys working to find adoptive homes for the dogs brought to his shelter, but he fears an upcoming change might make it harder to find people willing to adopt.

A new law relating to the sterilization of dogs and cats was passed by the state legislature and signed by the governor earlier this year. It takes effect July 1st and will have a direct impact on the adoptive process from the Elba Animal Shelter.

"I have mixed emotions," Homyak said.

Basically, the law requires that any dog adopted from the animal shelter has to be sterilized within 30-days after the adoption. If the dog is a puppy, Homyak said the owner has up

to 30-days after the animal reaches the age of sexual maturity (approximately 180 days after birth).

This law also includes cats, but Homyak said the Elba animal shelter does not handle adoptions for cats.

Homyak said the person acquiring the animal will sign a written agreement guaranteeing sterilization will be performed by a licensed veterinarian within 30-days after the acquisition or 30 days of sexual maturity. All costs of the sterilization will be the responsibility of the person acquiring the animal, and the person will present a signed statement from the licensed veterinarian indicating the procedure has been completed.

Failure to comply with this act could lead to a misdemeanor charge, and upon conviction, the

person shall be subject to a fine of a minimum of \$50 and not to exceed a fine of \$200.

According to Homyak, there is, however, an exception to the rule. He said the requirements of the act do not apply to any privately owned animal in possession of the shelter. In other words, he said an animal picked up in town because the owner is not following the local leash law will not be subject to the new sterilization law.

When the owner comes to retrieve his/her dog, Homyak said evidence of prior ownership should be presented to exempt the owner from the new law. However, he reminds owners there is, according to the leash law requirements, a \$25 fine to retrieve the animal from the shelter. To avoid being picked up by the animal control officer, owners within the city limits should keep their dog either fenced in or on a chain of at least 10 feet.

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Elba's animal control officer George Homyak remains committed to his department's adoption program. While he worries about the effects of the new law on the program, Homyak said he will continue to work to find adoptive homes for the animals. He also encourages those interested in adopting to do so before July 1st. As of Monday, June 19, there were just over 30 dogs and/or puppies available for adoption at the Elba animal control shelter.

State treasurer wants to reunite residents with their unclaimed property

Treasurer Kay Ivey visited Elba Monday, June 19, to announce 495 listings with Elba addresses appear on the unclaimed property database.

Each year, the state treasury brings in millions of dollars in unclaimed property, and Treasurer Ivey wants to reunite Alabamians with their unclaimed property.

"Unclaimed property can be in the form of uncashed checks, stocks, bonds, dividend checks, utility deposits and even items found in abandoned safe deposit boxes," Ivey said. "After a business has held unclaimed property for a number of years set by law, they turn it over to the state treasury and we hold it until individuals come forward to claim it."

Ivey went on to announce a record amount of unclaimed property was received in the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30. The state treasury took in \$80,049,824 in unclaimed property. In addition, \$13,840,514 was paid in claims to over 31,800 individuals.

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State Treasurer Kay Ivey (center) not only visited Elba Monday, June 19, to announce listings on the unclaimed property database, but she also enjoyed a "home-cooked" lunch at a local restaurant. She is shown above with Elba residents Greg Hanchey (left) and Jim Nichols (right).



CELEBRATING SIDEWALK ENHANCEMENTS...

The Town of New Brockton dedicated a recently completed sidewalk restoration project Friday morning, June 16, with an official ribbon cutting ceremony. Approximately 110 feet of sidewalk along S. John Street in New Brockton was completely restored and landscaped. Among those enjoying the dedication of the sidewalk during the ceremony were residents Virginia Dowling and Anne Haney. According to New Brockton town clerk Annette Williams, both Dowling and Haney were "very instrumental in getting this done." The project also was made possible by a generous donation from Ronnie Gilley. Above, Gilley (holding scissors) is shown preparing to cut the ribbon and officially open the sidewalk for public use. He is surrounded by (from left) Virginia Dowling, New Brockton Mayor Charles Cole, Margaret Lindsey and Fox Fleming.



The "new" sidewalk with landscaping is part of the town's overall goal to beautify New Brockton.

Motorists help two local fire departments "fill the boot"

The "Fill the Boot" fund drive continues to be a success locally thanks to the commitment of firefighters and the generosity of motorists.

On Saturday, May 27, two local volunteer fire departments - Elba VFD and Bullock VFD - each conducted "Fill the Boot" drives to benefit MDA (Muscular Dystrophy Association).

Elba Fire Chief Danny Jordan said he and the entire department owe a huge thanks to all the motorists who helped the department raise approximately \$3,100 during the four-hour drive. During the morning, the members of the department set up various checkpoints at major intersections in Elba.

The Bullock Fire Department also had a successful fund drive with approximately \$5,100 raised. The department benefited from a checkpoint along Highway 331 (a major beach traffic route).



Volunteers with the Elba Fire Department set up checkpoints Saturday, May 27, at major intersections within the city for the annual "Fill the Boot" drive to benefit MDA. The four-hour event once again proved successful as the firemen raised over \$3,000. Shown above at a downtown intersection along U.S. Highway 84 are (from left) Chris Summerlin, Mike Tindell and Jeremy Sanders.

Due to dry weather conditions

Firefighters ask citizens to use caution

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Conditions continue to be dry with only limited amounts of rain chances forecast, therefore, local firefighters and forestry officials recommend citizens use caution.

Due to the weather conditions and limited chances of rain, Elba Fire Chief Danny Jordan said local officials are stressing the importance of using caution when dealing with fire producing items particularly the discarding of smoking products (cigarettes, cigars, etc.), grilling products and anything else that can become an ignition tool.

"We're requesting to burning whatsoever except in barbecue grills until sufficient rainfall occurs in the area," he said. "We also request citizens do not burn trash or yards due to the fact everything is so dry."

While it is no secret the weather has created dry conditions for the area, Jordan said many woods and grass fires are caused because citizens do not stop and think about the situation before they act. For example, he said many beside-the-road grass fires are started accidentally after a motorist throws out a cigarette or other smoking product.

Jordan also said the dry conditions make it hard to control trash or yard burning, and it is very easy under such conditions for the fire to get out of control.

Taking these things into consideration, he said the best way to keep from causing a fire during dry conditions is simply not to burn and be cautious when using any fire producing item.

In case of fire, Jordan also said citizens should not hesitate to call the fire department for help.

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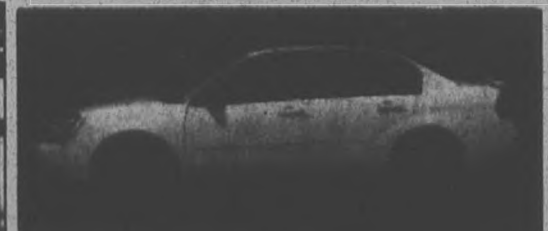
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